

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Application Number: 09/982,093)	
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For: DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS)	

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the final Office Action dated August 19, 2008 concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicants respectfully request an extension of time of three (3) months thereby extending the period for response up to and including February 19, 2008. Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** to cover the three-month extension of time fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.